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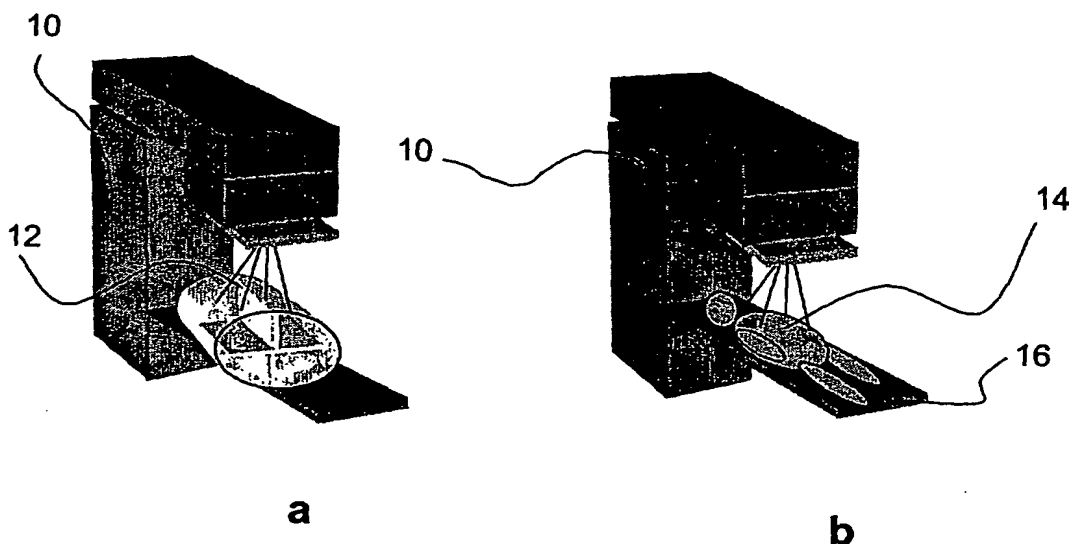
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method to measure dose distribution in a patient-shaped phantom with high accuracy. The invention consists of a method of measuring dose distribution in a phantom for radiation therapy treatment verification, a detector configuration in such a phantom, detector improvement and measurement methodology to enable application of correction factors in an accurate way.

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Since, claims 1-5 and 9 are considered to lack an inventive step the following separate inventions are identified:

Invention I: Claims 6-8 and 17 directed to a method of measuring dose distribution and calculating correction factors for each time-interval.

Invention II: Claims 10-16 relate to detectors used in a phantom for radiation therapy where the thickness of the detectors is specified to be less than range of radiation electrons maximum energy.

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